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**Draft Minutes of the
Park-Euclid Water Quality Assurance Revolving Fund (WQARF) Site
Community Advisory Board (CAB) Meeting – 32nd meeting**

August 15, 2007, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
State of Arizona Regional Office Complex
400 W. Congress, North Building, Conference Room 158
Tucson, Arizona

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CAB Members Present: Richard Byrd, Donald Davis, Freya Eddy, Mark Marikos, Jonathan Salvatierra, Jacky Turchick, Steven Turner, Mario Villarreal

CAB Members Absent: Keith Bagwell, Donald Davis, Nadine Gruhn, Ira Haskell, Josefina Zapata

ADEQ Staff Present: Tina Le Page, Project Manager; Eileen Palese, ADEQ Community Involvement Coordinator

Members of the Public Present: Abe Marques, Joe Drazek, Ted Warmbrand, Ronnie Hawks

The meeting began at 6:40 p.m.

1. Call to Order/Introductions

Because the two co-chairs were not present at the start of the meeting, former co-chair, Jacky Turchick, volunteered to run the meeting. She conducted introductions of the CAB and public participants.

2. Approval of Minutes for 12/6/06 and 4/25/07 CAB Meetings

This agenda item was held until a quorum of members were present at the meeting. Co-chair Freya Eddy moved to approve the minutes from the December 6, 2006, CAB meeting. Jacky Turchick seconded the motion. All were in favor, none opposed. Jacky Turchick moved to approve the minutes from the April 25, 2007, CAB meeting. Richard Byrd seconded the motion. All were in favor, none opposed.

3. Nomination and Election of CAB Co-Chairs

This agenda item was held until a quorum of members were present at the meeting. Co-chair Freya Eddy opened a discussion on the election of two co-chairs for the next term. She said people can

self-nominate. Mark Marikos and Jacky Turchick said they wished to be nominated. Eileen Palese said that Don Davis, one of the current co-chairs, told her by phone that he would continue as a co-chair unless other members wished to take on his position. Freya Eddy said she was still interested in one of the positions. The CAB discussed voting at this meeting or waiting until the next meeting to elect new co-chairs. They decided that because they had a quorum, it would be best to not wait any longer for the election. Eileen Palese asked Freya Eddy if she wished to continue as a co-chair. She said that if Jacky Turchick and Mark Marikos wished to take over, that would be fine with her. Freya Eddy motioned to elect Jacky Turchick and Mark Marikos as co-chairs of the Park-Euclid CAB for the next year term. Jonathan Salvatierra seconded the motion. The CAB voted. All were in favor; none opposed.

Jonathan Salvatierra then moved to close the nominations. Richard Byrd seconded the motion. The CAB voted to close the nominations. All were in favor; none opposed. The CAB thanked Freya Eddy for her years of service. She said she will be happy to continue as a member. They also thanked Don Davis. Eileen Palese said she would notify him of the vote.

4. Site Feasibility Study/Groundwater Model Update plus Q&A

Tina Le Page said that she did receive a draft of the Groundwater Model from the ADEQ consultants, Malcolm Pernie, and a draft of the Feasibility Study, from Miller Brooks, at the end of June which is the end of ADEQ's fiscal year. At that time, she had Miller Brooks stop work on the project. She said she hopes to hire a new contractor which will take several months to complete the process. After proposals are submitted to ADEQ, a committee rates each company on cost, experience and qualifications. She said she hopes to restart the project by the first of October 2007.

Tina Le Page reported on the most recent groundwater sampling which took place in June 2007. She said that all of the University of Arizona wells did not show contamination. She reviewed the sampling data from other monitor wells. Abe Marques, aide to Councilmember Steve Leal, asked if the plume has stopped spreading. Tina Le Page said it has moved slightly in the regional aquifer, some 200 feet deep. She said this is due to several factors, such as the subsurface soil components, the type of water and soils that are in the area and the type of contaminants. She said there is not a lot of groundwater pumping going on in the area which helps to stabilize the plume. She said changes to the plume do occur more quickly in the perched aquifer.

The CAB discussed the location of the two types of aquifers and the location of Basin One, part of the Arroyo Chico Flood Control Project. This basin will be constructed so that it will not alter the mounding affect which helps contain the plume in the shallow aquifer. Tina Le Page said this was the reason the basin was not lined in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers final design.

Jacky Turchick asked if the draft Feasibility Study (FS) reports are accessible to the public. Tina Le Page said that while the documents are still in draft form, they are not made available to the public. She said the reports still need work and it would not be right to send them out incomplete. She said the groundwater model was fairly well done by the consultant, but the FS needs more work. Tina LePage said that after these documents are finalized, the reports will be offered for public comment. The model will be incorporated into the Feasibility Study. She said then a Responsiveness Summary will be prepared. After the FS is done, the next step is the Preliminary

Action Plan (PRAP), and then the Record of Decision (ROD), the final step. She said the design and build of the chosen system is done at the same time as the PRAP. The chosen cleanup system should be operating at the time the ROD is finalized. She said there is now a new mechanism to keep the consultant contracts going. Previously, the ADEQ project managers had to wait for funding, but this year money was available July 1. So without a change in contractors, this new system should speed up the process.

Joe Drazek said that since the April 25 CAB meeting, the insurance companies have come to an agreement on the issues that caused a delay in the construction of the Multi-Phase Extraction System at the Mission Linen facility. Since that time, they have written up agreements. He said there is only one signature left to obtain. He said Mission Linen has instructed their contractor, URS, to prepare to construct the system. The construction might take 2 to 3 months to complete before the system can be started up. He was not sure of the exact schedule at the time of the meeting. He said they are making progress. He introduced Ronnie Hawks, a representative of CNA, one of the two insurance companies involved--the other is St. Paul. He said the process took longer than expected, but he believes the final signature will be provided in a few days to finalize the agreements. Jacky Turchick asked if Mission Linen will inform the neighborhood prior to startup of the system at the facility. Joe Drazek said he would do that, possibly distributing a handout.

5. Call to the Public

No one wished to comment.

6. Other Administrative Business

Richard Byrd provided an update on the Arroyo Chico Flood Control Project. He said construction began in July on Phase I, which is located at Cherry Fields and the Railroad Wash confluence. He said there were delays due to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' funding which went to the Katrina Hurricane disaster. The future budget is unknown. He said the local government representative to contact is no longer at the City of Tucson, but with Pima County Flood Control District. Residents can call Nanette Reynolds at 243-1808. He said construction of the first phase should be completed in November 2008.

7. CAB Membership Discussion

The CAB discussed their membership numbers and the problem the CAB has had with reaching a quorum due to lack of attendance. Jacky Turchick said that there is some interest in membership in her neighborhood, and she would be willing to recruit members if the CAB wanted more people to join. Richard Byrd suggested a letter be sent to the members who are not attending, pointing out the requirements of the charter to attend meetings. If they want to resign, the CAB could move forward and find replacements. Eileen Palese said that she did contact Nadine Gruhn after questions arose about her attendance after the last meeting. She said Nadine Gruhn apologized and said she has been unable to participate due to her work schedule and that she was planning to resign. The CAB reviewed who to contact regarding their attendance. Eileen Palese said she calls everyone the day before, and most members do let her know if they can't attend. Currently the quorum is seven people.

Freya Eddy and Steven Turner arrived at the meeting at this time and said they do want to continue as members. Jacky Turchick reviewed the discussion. Eileen Palese said that it is important to start the meetings on time, so if the members could arrive ten minutes before the meeting starts that would help to keep things on schedule--it is important to start on time because the CAB meetings are public meetings and must follow the posted agenda.

Jacky Turchick turned the meeting over to co-chair Freya Eddy. Since a quorum was now present, the CAB went back to agenda item 2 and 3 to conduct a discussion and vote.

8. CAB Outreach Reports

Jacky Turchick said she is now the Barrio San Antonio Neighborhood Association president. She said she would like to invite ADEQ to speak on the WQARF site. Joe Drazek said they would consider hosting another open house at the facility for the neighborhood at the time of the startup of the Multiphase Extraction System. This could be coordinated with ADEQ.

The CAB discussed some of the activities related to the construction of the Arroyo Chico Project. Abe Marques said that the reason the project is no longer under the City of Tucson is somewhat complicated, but it is because a trade was made with Pima County relative to a project that was done at Alvernon and 22nd Street--the golf course was lowered. That was on city property, but the county paid for the project. Since the Army Corps of Engineers is building the Arroyo Chico Project, the county wants to be in control of the project. The city owned all the property except for the areas owned by the Tucson Unified School District (TUSD). Richard Byrd said that there is an intergovernmental agreement which explains some of this arrangement. The CAB discussed the previous commitments made to the community regarding this project by the City of Tucson and that they hope these commitments will still be honored.

9. Next Meeting Date/Agenda Discussion

The next meeting of the Park-Euclid Community Advisory Board will be held on Wednesday, November 14, 2007, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. It will be held at the State of Arizona Office Complex, 400 West Congress, North Building, Room 158, Tucson, Arizona. Call Eileen Palese, ADEQ Community Involvement Coordinator, at (520) 628-6712 for more information.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

This meeting was recorded on a digital device as a record of the proceedings. To listen to a recording, or for additional documents mentioned in these minutes, contact ADEQ's Southern Regional Office, Community Involvement Office, 520/628-6712.

**Minutes prepared by: Eileen Palese 10/22/07
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